

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENT
FEDERAL PUBLIC DEFENDER
Western District of Washington - Mr. Thomas W. Hillier, II

The United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth Circuit is conducting an evaluation of the performance of the Federal Public Defender (FPD) for the Western District of Washington, **Mr. Thomas W. Hillier, II**. The Court conducts these evaluations in order to determine if the incumbent FPD should be appointed to an additional four year term without a competitive recruitment. Any persons having knowledge of the performance of Mr. Hillier and/or his respective staff are invited to submit comments. Anonymous responses will not be accepted. However, the identity of all respondents will be kept confidential except to those with a need to know.

All comments must be received no later than **Tuesday, November 25, 2008**, in order to be considered. Comments may be submitted on line at

<http://tinyurl.com/fpd-waw> or by mail or fax to:

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